PLAYED AND LOST.

Bernard Norton's Double Wooing and Its Unlucky Termination.

some young man lay stretched at her feet, ing Grace, and at the end of the month On the lawn another young couple were made a formal avowal of love to her. engaged in a game of croquet. The sun's "I have loved you ever since we met,

speaker. It was the third time within the decree of Grace's father. hour that he had referred to her cousin Grace's beauty.

"And I would give half of my fortune and twenty-five is still better." to have you so."

them; but he had spoken unthinkingly, he did not improve in humor thereby. Ciarice shrank as though she had been

that is saying a great deal, by Jove! I travel, never noticed her lack of beauty so much | When he bade Grace good-by he was forgive and forget. Absence makes the heart softer." And with this consoling some of your roses for me until I claim thought he strolled on to join Grace Mun- you," son, whose companion was just taking his

tirace was like a delicate flower spark. worshipped. hig with the dew of morning. She had are in merely looking at her.

Mrs. Barton observed his conduct with for that, displeasure : from the first she had not "A fellow can endure weak, insipid beautiful eyes lacked lustre. As she frivoleus young man held for her sensi- times a day."

ton. Its contents filled him with haste to reach Chicago until a few weeks promising to call next day, which he did. mingled annoyance and relief.

sure I shall be in mine."

that was all, and Bernard's self-esteem dium height, with a beautifully rounded

A slight, pale-faced girl sat silently toying with a piece of needlework on the
But he consoled himself with the thought
pected." low porch of her mother's house; a band-low porch of her mother's house; a band-that he was now free to woo the charm-

last gleam lighted up Grace Munson's he said. "Clarice saw this and generface with a halo of beauty, and Bernard ously set me free." And Grace, who had ceed. Norten looked at her with undisguised become very much enamored of her hand-

fished as she quickly glanced at the Bernard was trying to submit to the stern

"Yes, sir, you can marry my daughter," Mr. Muuson had said, "if you love return?" Grace is indeed lovely," she said, her well enough to wait three years. I . I would give half my life to be as beau- am opposed to early marriages. No girl

No sooner were the words uttered than to spend the greater part of his youth in back to America." Norton would have given much to recall | the capacity of an "engaged man," and

Grace was an acknowledged belle, and loss, struck, arose quickly and went into the for a time he was pleased at her success, But there was a secret bitterness under "I am in a pretty fix now." Norton lying his pleasure, for he saw little of his mattered, as he arose and walked across betrothed except in society's whirlpool. the lawn. That was a nice speech for a There would be no change in this state of fellow to make to the girl he expects to affairs until their time of probation marry : And Clarice is as proud as Luci. ended, and feeling in a false position, he fer, too high-strung as she is plain, and concluded to spend the remaining year in

before Grace came. A pity one can't find struck with the fact that she looked much all things combined in one woman! Won- older than she did at the time of their ender if I ought to apologize? On, well, gagement. Two years of dissipation had I'm going away in ten days, and she'll left their mark upon her delicate beauty. "Be careful, Grace," he said. "Keep

> He said nothing of her fidelity; he was only afraid she might lose the beauty he He arose to his feet.

Grace was sorry to lose her lover; she soft blue eyes, an exquisite complexion. felt desolate for a whole day, and cried hour! Really" and golden hair. Altogether she made a herself to sleep the first night. But Berpicture of rare beauty, and it was no nard wrote her charming letters of travel womier that Bernard Norton found pleas. and she soon forgot her grief. She sent peared in the doorway. His betrothed him in return the briefest of notes, for was very becomingly dressed, but so faded That evening Clarice did not appear in the charming Grace did not excel as a that she seemed like the ghost of h r

approved of her daughters's suitor, and letters," he thought, "better than the stool besides Clarice for a moment she wondered what attraction the careless, sight of a plain face across his table three seemed utterly eclipsed by her once plain

a time. You do not love me, Bernard. the bell of the Munson mansion and sent ments for every hour. and it is best for our engagement to end. up his card to the ladies. There was a Se happy in your own way and be very step on the stair, the trail of a garment, other," she said. "It will be pleasant to and a weman entered-a woman of me- compare notes of travel."

extended her hand.

He looked at the charming speaker in He walked into the parlor one aftermute wonder. " I beg pardon-1-1" -- he began.

"Is it possible I am so changed that

"Clarice Barton!" he cried. it does not seem possible! When did you

"Nearly two months ago," Miss Barton is fit for wedlock before she is twenty one, she gracefully seated herself. "My dear mother died in Rome last winter; Europe It occurred to Bernard that he was likely was unendurable after that, so I came

> But you are so changed!" Bernard murmured, after expressing regret at her

Miss Barton smiled sadly. "The years change us all," she said :

'they leave their mark." "Oh, it is not that:" he hastened to

I last saw you; but-pardon my boldness you are wonderfully improved." "I am like my mother's people," Clarice answered quietly. "They all mature late; and the climate of Italy, where I remained most of the time, was very bene-

ficial to me. I hope to return in the course of a few months. " They fell to talking of their travels, and 12 o'clock struck before Norton thought they had been chatting twenty minutes. At that moment the hall-door clanged and steps came towards them.

"Impossible?" he said, looking at his both, -txchange, " I cannot have been here an

What he would have said remained unspoken, for Mrs. Munson and Grace ap-

cousin. Bernard loitered here and there, then The meeting of the lovers was con-Next morning a note was handed Nor- made his way slowly back. He was in no strained, and Bernard took his departure, before the time appointed for his mar- Grace informed him that he must wait When you receive this," Clarice ringe, which was to take place in early patiently for two more weeks before he wrote, "I shall have gone to my aunt for autumn. One morning in July he rang could see her often, as she had engage-

"But you and Clarice can console each

chatted with the charming woman whom "I came down to make your welcome he had once slighted. What a blind fool

a little less inhospitable, Mr. Nortou," he had been! It was Clarice be loved-Clarice he had always loved. She was Xavier Athletes Generally Suc-"My aunt and cousin are unfortunately the boy's fancy and the man's ideal. It at a concert; they were not aware of was this cultured, interesting woman who your return. You are quite well? I do suited him, and not the faded, frivolous not find you so much changed as I ex. Grace. He grev mad with pain and rage M. A. C. Offers Some Fine Prizes as he realized his position.

noon, where Clarice was playing softly. "Do not let me disturb you," be said. Her face was a ripple of smiles as she as she half rose from the piano. "I am regarded him, waiting for him to pro- in a mood to have my givage soul soothed country extraction in their make up are by music. Are the ladies out?"

"I think so," answered Clarice.

he crossed over to where she sat. I have always loved you. Years ago you and when the returns are all in one of them, "Nearly two months ago." Miss Barron replied with her well-bred composure as the off for a foo'ish whim and I tried anyway, is bret. They don't make much thas to content myself by forming other ties, or blow these "Zaviers" as they should be I know now that I have never forgotten called hor are they strong or pretty, mone-

say. You look not a day older than when her and me by your conduct. I supposed

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the drawing-room, and Norton was free to devote himself to her lovely cousin, but one glance at the former self. Three years of society had done their work. The cheek had lost its married? sacrifice to prove that you love me, come, bloom the nose was sharpened and the bachelor.

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those athletes who have a little direct old being country extraction in their make in the superior as distance tunners to native bern single "I athletes is shown by the unusual success that some suitor, gave him the answer he you do not know me? Have three years aged Clarice Barton so much?"

There is nothing so lovely as a lovely craved.

Two weeks later Mrs. Barton and the property of the pale cheek of Clarice Barton was trying to submit to the stern fushed as she quickly glanced at the summary and the property of the pale cheek of the pale the her with a brooding passion. Suddenly than hold their own at from a quarter of a mile up. At almost any DCCFORS MCCOY AND WILDMAN. "Clarice," he cried, "my own Clarice. athletic meet nowadays it will be found that Offices, 5 Fast 42d Street, New York, I cannot be longer silent! I love you there will be some Navier men in the runs.

large of content myself by forming other lies. I know now that I have never forgotten you. Clarice, take me back again."

His voice was trembling with emotion; but she stood coldly regarding him, and her voice was very hard as she said:

"Mr. Norton, I cannot excuse this behavior. I loved you once very dearly, but you made me ashamed of that love and least it out. I have for three years thought of you as my consm's betroffield allowed by on knew that I am to be married as soon as my term of mourning expires. Allow me to pass."

She swept by him like a queen. The alcove curtains parted and Grace stood before him.

"I have heard all," she said. "Go, and never let me see your face again."

She dropped the shining solitaire which she had worn so long into his hand, and pointed towards the door. With bowed head he left her presence and went down the marble steps for the last time. He had played for each in turn and lost both. *Lxchange*.

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Tates along always with something "up his receive, and who has lately developed withing from. Dunlaps remarkable ourse of a speed in the mile of the T. D. Sulitvan games last Monday Indicates that he is a coming man at that distance. Altogether the Xavier team is formidable.

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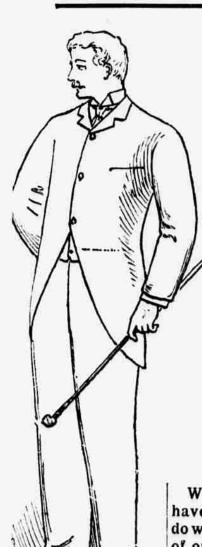
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